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37-7-133	Place								County, known as the Deer Creek project. Three years were required to complete the dam, which held back the water that began to inundate Charleston.			
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